

The Federal Communications Commission

Dear The Federal Communications Commission,

I am a residential telephone service user who is retired and living on a very limited income of social security and my retirement savings account. I have carefully selected the absolutely minimal telephone service plans - even using pulse dialing - to try to keep my critical limited telephone service affordable. I do not use my phone to make multi-million business deals or co-ordinate large staff functions. It would be truly ironic to assign fees on a per phone basis and penalize me and millions of other struggling seniors and low income families. Telephone service is a basic necessity and it would be truly ironic if I have to give up my service after sixty years because of a combination of large user greed and governmental insensitivity.

I urge you to reject a flat fee proposal that would change how contributions are made to the Universal Service Fund. I am concerned that this proposal could make my current service unaffordable.

I use my phone for safety, security and convenience only. I don't want to lose these benefits so that big businesses can pay less than their fair share. I urge you to reject the proposal to move the USF collection system to a flat-fee.

Sincerely,

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